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1. SUMMARY. BRAILA GROUP HAS BEEN DISPERSED BY AUTHORITIES,
WHILE MEDGIDEA GROUP WAS RETURNED TO CANAL WORKSITE AFTER THEIR
HUNGER STRIKE WAS TERMINATED BY POLICE AND THEY, TOO, DISPERSED.
GOMA IS REPORTED UNDER CONSTANT SURVEILLANCE. END SUMMARY.

2. ADRIAN MUTICA AND SERBAN STANCIULESCU PROVIDED EMBASSY
ANOTHER UPDATE ON VARIOUS LOOSELY COORDINATED GROUPS OF WOULD-
BE EMIGRES:

---BRAILA GROUP: WHEN MUTICA AND ONE OTHER WERE RETURNED BY
POLICE TO BRAILA ON AUGUST 31, OTHER FOUR OF GROUP WERE SOON
ALSO BROUGHT TO POLICE STATION. ON SEPTEMBER 1 GROUP WAS
DISPERSED TO VARIOUS LOCALES. ALTHOUGH POLICE WOULD NOT REVEAL
WHERE, MUTICA MANAGED TO SEE DOCUMENT ORDERING THE DISPERSAL.
HE IS NOW ALONE IN VILLAGE 30 KMS FROM BRAILA; THREE
OTHERS IN GENERAL VICINITY ARE AT TWO OTHER SITES,
WHILE FIFTH AND SIXTH WERE SENT TO VASLUI AND IASI.
THIS GROUP'S HUNGER STRIKE WAS THUS PRECLUDED BY
AUTHORITIES, WHO OBVIOUSLY HAD ALSO HEARD RFE
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BROADCASTS.
---MEDGIDEA GROUP: ALL SEVEN WERE RETURNED TO CANAL
WORKSITE WHEN THEIR HUNGER STRIKE WAS TERMINATED BY
POLICE. NEAMTU'S MOTHER TOLD MUTICA THAT THE SEVEN
IN THIS GROUP HAVE BEEN DISPERSED IN THREE SEPARATE
VILLAGES AROUND MEDGIDEA.

3. WHEN ASKED ABOUT RUMORED HUNGER STRIKE AT INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL, STANCIULESCU STATED THAT HE HAD PASSED BY HOTEL AT 0945 AM ON SEPTEMBER 1 AND HAD SEEN MANY SECURITATE MEN, ONE OF WHOM HE KNEW AND SPOKE WITH. STANCIULESCU SAID SECURITATE MAINTAINED THEIR SURVEILLANCE AT HOTEL THROUGH SEPTEMBER 3.

4. WHEN ASKED ABOUT GOMA, STANCIULESCU STATED THAT HE KNOWS GOMA AND OFTEN SEES HIM AT THE LIBRARY, WHERE HE GOES FREQUENTLY IN PURSUIT OF HIS LITERARY AND MUSICAL INTERESTS AND WHERE HE ORGANIZES AVANT GARDE CONCERTS (HE IS SOUND ENGINEER AT THE FILM STUDIOS) FOR A "CLUB" OF ABOUT 20 PERSONS. HE SAID THAT NEVER MORE THAN A FEW SENTENCES A TIME HAVE PASSED BETWEEN THEM BECAUSE THERE IS A MAN ASSIGNED TO KEEP GOMA UNDER SURVEILLANCE AT WORK AND TWO OTHERS ASSIGNED TO FOLLOW HIM HOME. HE HAD NOT TRIED TO FOLLOW GOMA HOME AND DOES NOT KNOW WHERE HE NOW LIVES. HE DID STATE THAT GOMA HAD TOLD HIM THAT ALL HIS MANUSCRIPTS AND PAPERS HAD BEEN CONFISCATED.

5. COMMENT: MUTICA CLAIMS TO BE IN BUCHAREST LEGALLY--ON A THREE-WORKDAY PASS. BOTH MEN WERE NEATLY DRESSED IN CLEAN TROUSERS AND NEW SHIRTS. CURRENT POLICE METHODS OF DEALING WITH THESE PROTESTORS COULD HARDLY BE TERMED DRACONIAN, AND THE INTERPLAY LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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BETWEEN THE AUTHORITIES AND THEIR OPPONENTS FOR THE MOMENT SEEMS AKIN TO A GAME OF CAT-AND-MOUSE. WHENEVER LEGALLY IN THE CAPITAL, THE LATTER DO NOT HESITATE TO IMPORTUNE THE AUTHORITIES REGULARLY AND SEEM TO HAVE ACCESS TO OFFICERS UP TO THE RANK OF COLONEL. SOME OF THE EARLIER PPT APPLICANTS LIKE STANCIULESCU AND GROSU KEEP BEING PROMISED THEIR PPTS, BUT THE DATES OF DELIVERY KEEP RECEDING: MORE RECENT APPLICANTS LIKE MUTICA HAVE RECEIVED NEITHER PROMISES NOR FLAT REFUSALS WHILE THE AUTHORITIES AT LAST GIVE THE IMPRESSION THAT THEIR APPLICATIONS ARE BEING PROCESSED. ALL, HOWEVER, SUSPECT THAT THE CURRENT RELATIVELY BENIGN POSTURE OF THE AUTHORITIES IS PROMPTED BY BELGRADE, AND THAT THEY ARE BEING STRUNG ALONG UNTIL AFTER THE CONFERENCE, WHEN THE GOR WILL FEEL FREER TO DEAL WITH THEM IN A DIFFERENT MANNER.
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